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OCT. 14th, 1937.

Mr. Justice E.R.E. Chevrier & Gentlemen,
Royal Commission re Transport.

Gentlemen:

May we take this opportunity to point out to you why the P.C.V. Act is very unfair to the majority of cartage agents throughout the province. They are compelled to pay full price for provincial markers then are restricted to operate within a limit of three miles beyond the municipality in which they reside.

Also they are compelled to pay the gasoline tax which was imposed primarily to build and maintain the highways but are not allowed to use them although they have paid their share for them.

The restricted area in which they are permitted to operate is an extremely severe handicap. Therefore, we hope you will see fit to recommend the complete abolition of the P.C.V., failing this may we suggest the following changes:

- Municipal plates at nominal fee.
- No gasoline tax - same as farmers and marine operators.
- Area of operation to be increased to 50 miles, which is only a short distance these days with fast and efficient motor vehicles.

One other suggestion that we hope will assist would be for you to recommend that all municipalities be compelled to exercise the power given them under Municipal Act 431 to create and enforce codes for the cartage industry, thereby making a sound foundation from which the transport codes could be formed.

Trusting our suggestions will receive consideration and that we have been of some assistance to you,

I remain

Yours truly,

I. Feder,

Secretary.

Municipal Act.

Section 431.

By-laws may be passed by the Boards of Commissioners of Police of Cities.

(1) For licensing, regulating and governing teamsters, carters, draymen, owners and drivers of cabs, busses, motor and other vehicles regularly used for hire within the City and for establishing the rates of fares to be charged by the owners and drivers of such vehicles for the conveyance of goods or passengers either wholly within the City or to any other point not more than three miles beyond its limits and for providing for enforcing payment of such rates or fares.

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The Royal Commission on Transportation,
Osgoode Hall,
Toronto.

Gentlemen:-

We have seen a summary of taxes that the Railway Association of Canada is recommending to be collected from motor truck owners and strenuously object to same.

Such a taxation would, in our opinion, strangle, rather than regulate the industry.

It must be remembered that Ontario is not so thickly populated nor highly industrialized as other parts of the world that have been held up as examples of taxes imposed on highway transportation to your Commission.

In many cases the taxes recommended by the railroads are greater than the actual revenue received by cartage operators.

Yours faithfully,

J. Harrison (M. M.)

J. Harrison,
Secretary-Treasurer.

